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To: Members of the Council  
Miami Valley Folk Dancers

I recommend the Miami Valley Folk Dancers purchase a moderately priced cassette tape player. This purchase could benefit the group in a variety of ways, some of which are:

1. It could allow for more storage space in the cabinet.

Members could tape some rarely used records or only the dance we do on an LP (such as "Louie Louie") as we run out of space. Then those records could be stored in a less accessible location.

2. It could be a cost savings.

A recently learned record could be taped rather than the club immediately buying the record. If the dance is popular, the record should be purchased. If it isn't done, the club has saved money by not getting a record that will perhaps never be used.

3. There could be more variety of dances.

There are dances for which no record is available. These could be taped from private collections and kept with the records for use at any time.

I feel any tape deck purchased for the club should include:

1. A counter to aid in locating dances on tapes.
2. The ability to connect it to the record player for amplification.
3. The ability to be powered by AC current or batteries.
4. The ability to record from a microphone.

If the tape player is approved, I recommend the following items also be purchased:

1. A patch cord to hook it into the record player.
2. Six medium-quality tapes initially (more as needed).
3. A case to hold approximately twelve tapes.

Thank you very much for considering this matter.

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